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Jughead
GIFT in GRIFT
PART ONE
HOT DOG!
HOOWWLL!
HOT DOG, WE'VE GOT TO TAKE YOU FOR YOUR WALK! DON'T BE SO DELICATE!
WHIMPER!
HMM! IT IS A BIT N-NIPPY, I'LL ADMIT!

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BRRR!
WHAT A FRIGID WIND!
CHATTER! CHATTER!
EVEN THE SNOWMEN LOOK UNCOMFORTABLE!
OK-K-K! YOU'RE R-RIGHT! IT'S N-NOT F-FIT FOR M-MAN NOR B-B-BEAST!
C-CO-CO-CO-COA!
WELL, YOU CAN'T JUST STOP TAKING HOT DOG OUT FOR HIS WALK!
YOU'RE RIGHT!
FORST!
THIS COLD SNAP MAY LAST A SPELL! WE'D BETTER THINK OF SOMETHING!
2

SO...
I DON'T ORDINARILY GO IN FOR THIS FOO-FOO PET STUFF, BUT THIS IS A SPECIAL CASE!
BOWSER Boutique
OH, YES, WE HAVE A FULL LINE OF DOG SWEATERS!
GREAT! SOMETHING CHEAP AND FUNCTIONAL, PLEASE!
IT LOOKS DARLING!
WE'RE NOT CONCERNED WITH LOOKS! WE'RE CONCERNED WITH BODY TEMP!
YOU'RE IN LUCK! WE HAVE A HOLIDAY SPECIAL...
EACH DOG SWEATER COMES WITH A PERSONALIZED NAME TAG!
THRILLS-VILLE!
DITTO!
HOT DOG
FEEL BETTER, OH FURRY COMPANION?
MUCH! I'VE TRAINED YOU WELL!
3

HEY, WE MIGHT AS WELL SHOW OFF YOUR FINERY TO THE GANG!
POP's CHOCKLIT SHOPPE
HEY, LOOK WHO'S HERE! THE MUTT AND THE NUT!
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU TOO!
ISN'T IT A RIOT?
LOOKIN' SHARP, H.D.!
IF ONLY YOUR MASTER WOULD DRESS THAT WELL!
MEANWHILE, LET US SHIFT OUR FOCUS TO DOINGS IN THE PALATIAL* LODGE ESTATE!
IT'S THIS MONTH'S VOCABULARY WORD! LOOK IT UP!
GO AHEAD, DEAR! OPEN IT EARLY SO YOU CAN GET SOME USE OUT OF IT DURING CHRISTMAS!
EEEE! DADDY!!
Sack'a
THE "EVE ST. LESNOB" ORIGINAL I WANTED! IT'S FABULOUS, EXQUISITE, EXCLUSIVE!
EXPENSIVE!
4

THAT GARMENT EVEN MADE A DENT IN MY CHECKBOOK! BUT IT'S THE HOLIDAY SEASON...
LOVE YOU, DADDY!
I EXPECT YOU TO GET SOME USE OUT OF THIS ONE! NOT JUST WEAR IT ONCE AND FORGET IT!
DON'T WORRY!
I'LL GO FOR A LITTLE STROLL RIGHT NOW, JUST TO SHOW IT OFF!
THIS IS SURE TO ATTRACT LOOKS AND EVOKE AMAZED EXPRESSIONS!
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!
!
?
UH-OH!
5

AIYEEAH!
THE NERVE! MANGY BEAST WEARING MY SWEATER!
SHE SAID IT, NOT ME!
WHO HAS SEEN THAT MOCKERY OF A SWEATER? WHO ELSE?
ER... UH... NO ONE!
GOOD! DISPOSE OF IT! THE DOG CAN'T TALK! AND YOU SHAN'T! SHALL YOU?
I SHAN'T! I SHAN'T!
AND I USED TO WONDER WHY SOME PEOPLE CONSIDER THE HOLIDAYS STRESSFUL!
CONTINUED...

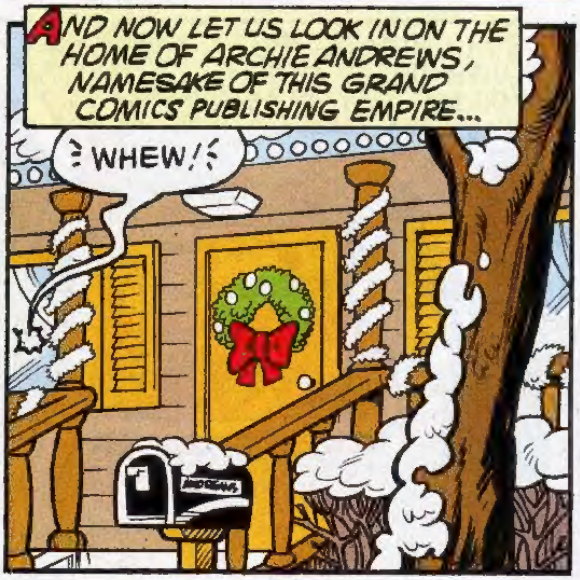
Jughead
in
GIFT
PART TWO
WE GOT OFF EASY, HOT DOG! SHE HAD A CRAZED LOOK IN HER EYE!
HUMANS LEAD SUCH COMPLICATED LIVES!
JUST AS WELL! IT'S TURNING A LITTLE WARMER ANYWAY!
OH, MAN! SHE'D BETTER NOT FIND OUT THE GANG HAS SEEN YOU IN THIS THING!
7

JUGHEAD CAN'T FIND RIVERDALE ON THE MAP. WHERE IN THE WORLD IS IT?
LOOK FOR RIVERDALE CLUES IN THIS ISSUE AND ON OUR WEBSITE ARCHIECOMICS.COM

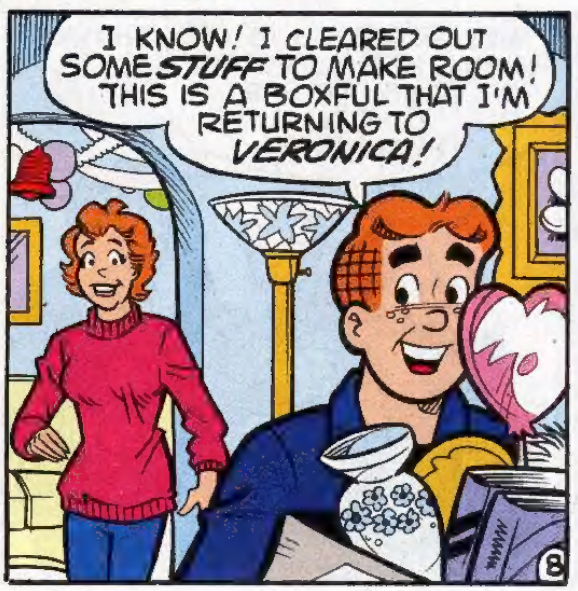
...SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED!
OUCH!
GIVE

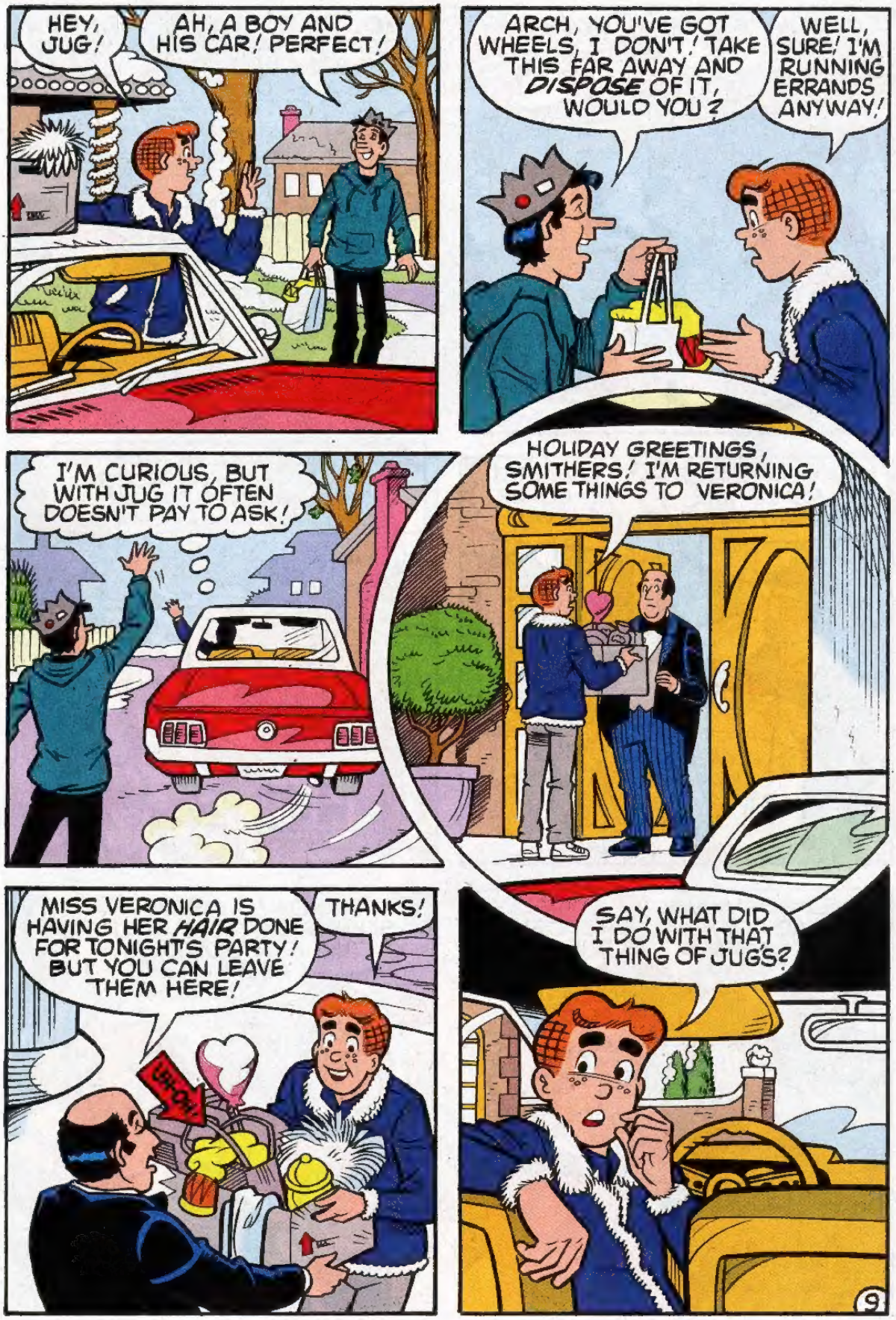
YOU HAVE YOUR INSTRUCTIONS! YOU NEVER SAW THAT SWEATER ON HOT DOG, GOT ME?
WE KNOW N-N-NOTHINK!
MENU

HMM! I'D BETTER GET RID OF THIS ALBATROSS!
IT WASN'T MY COLOR ANYWAY!
HOT DOG


AND NOW LET US LOOK IN ON THE HOME OF ARCHIE ANDREWS, NAMESAKE OF THIS GRAND COMICS PUBLISHING EMPIRE...
WHEW!

THE DEN'S ALMOST READY FOR MY CHRISTMAS PARTY!
I HARDLY RECOGNIZE THE PLACE!


I KNOW! I CLEARED OUT SOME STUFF TO MAKE ROOM! THIS IS A BOXFUL THAT I'M RETURNING TO VERONICA!


HEY, JUG!
AH, A BOY AND HIS CAR! PERFECT!
ARCH, YOU'VE GOT WHEELS, I DON'T! TAKE THIS FAR AWAY AND DISPOSE OF IT, WOULD YOU?
WELL, SURE! I'M RUNNING ERRANDS ANYWAY!
I'M CURIOUS, BUT WITH JUG IT OFTEN DOESN'T PAY TO ASK!
HOLIDAY GREETINGS, SMITHERS! I'M RETURNING SOME THINGS TO VERONICA!
MISS VERONICA IS HAVING HER HAIR DONE FOR TONIGHT'S PARTY! BUT YOU CAN LEAVE THEM HERE!
THANKS!
SAY, WHAT DID I DO WITH THAT THING OF JUGS?
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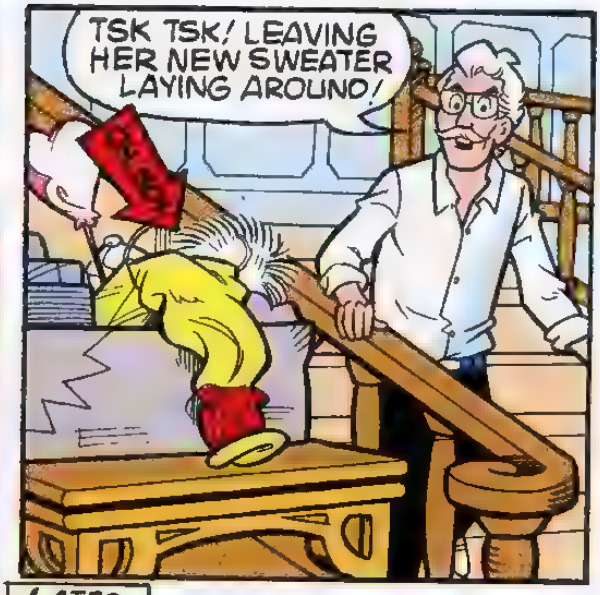
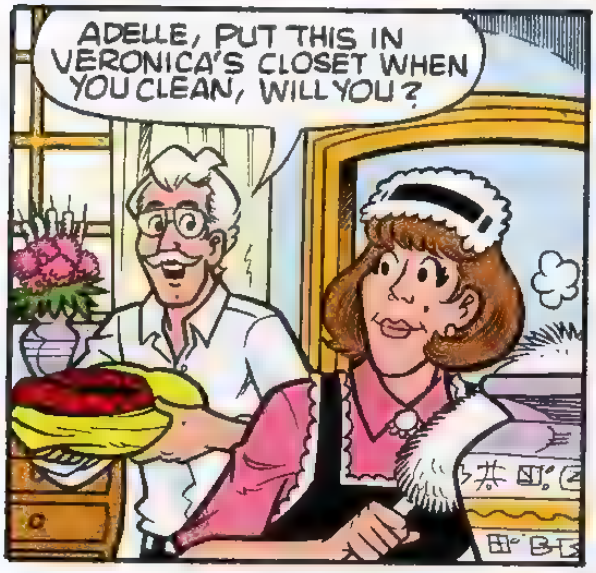
OH, WELL, HE WANTED IT GONE, AND GONE IT IS!
ZOOM!


TSK TSK! LEAVING HER NEW SWEATER LAYING AROUND!


ADELLE, PUT THIS IN VERONICA'S CLOSET WHEN YOU CLEAN, WILL YOU?

LATER...
CHRISTMAS PARTY TONIGHT! TIME TO UNVEIL MY WONDERFUL NEW SWEATER!
HUH! I THOUGHT I'D PUT IT IN MY DRAWER!

IT'S SO WARM AND LUXURIOUS! DO I HAVE AN EYE FOR QUALITY OR WHAT?

PARTY TIME!
YULETIDE GREETINGS!
VERONICA!
10

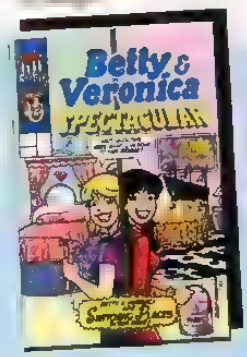
NOW REMEMBER! NOBODY LET ON THAT YOU SAW HOT DOG'S SWEATER!
I'M NOT GOING TO BE COY AND WAIT FOR YOU TO NOTICE! HOW DO YOU LIKE MY FABULOUS NEW SWEATER?
GAK!
HOTDOG
WELL?
UH...
UH...
UH...
YOU'RE SPEECHLESS! I KNEW YOU WOULD BE!
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR, TOO!
I ONLY HOPE I LAST THAT LONG!
SIGH!
The End

EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Dear Archie Readers,

I guess I was lucky growing up as an only child, that is, at least for the first 16 years of my life. Then my sister came along. Needless to say, there wasn't any sibling rivalry. I also didn't have to share a room. I always had my privacy and was able to decorate my room, if you want to call it that, to my taste. To start with, I had a desk, a bed, a bookcase, a dresser, a chest of drawers and a rocking chair. The walls were covered with a couple of my paintings (paint by numbers), a mirror with a handsome face in it, and a photo of a movie actress that I had a crush on. I'd tell you her name, but you probably wouldn't recognize it; although, I guess your grandparents might. The furniture was covered with model airplanes, ships and cars. I had a cool looking radio, which if I still had today, would probably be worth as much as my car. Eventually I had a television in my room. That was my favorite decoration.

Speaking of decorating, there's a TV show where participants are asked to trade places and redecorate each other's rooms. By coincidence, that is what happens to Betty and Veronica in the latest edition of BETTY & VERONICA SPECTACULAR #58. The girls are given two days to redecorate each other's bedrooms. But are they doing this just to make over their rooms, or make over each other's personality as well? Find out when you pick up your copy next month and read "Switching Places."



If you had the opportunity to read Betty & Veronica Spectacular #57, you might have noticed a geographical error on the last page of the featured story entitled "Race Around The World." It seems we moved the Statue of Liberty from Liberty Island to Ellis Island. We apologize for the mistake.

We all know that Reggie is Archie's rival. Especially, when it comes to Veronica. Now good ol' Reggie is always trying to find some new, nasty way to get under Archie's skin and make him look stupid. His latest scheme is not to be nasty, but to be so nice to Archie that it will drive him bonkers. The question is, can Archie handle this newfound kindness from Reggie?.....Or....will it drive him bonkers just as Reggie has planned. No matter what Reggie does, guys, it's always nice to be nice, try it! Also, try a copy of ARCHIE #531 and read "My Pal Reggie."

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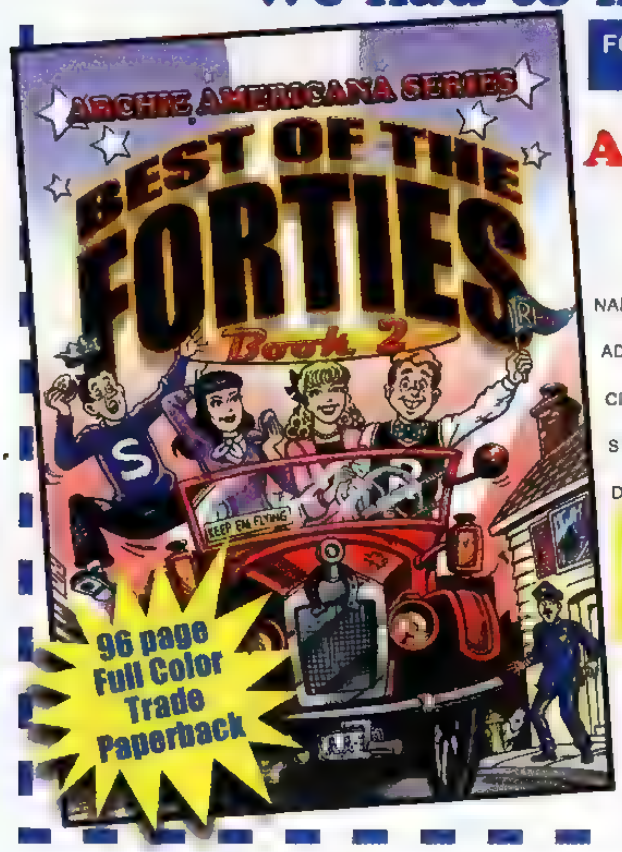

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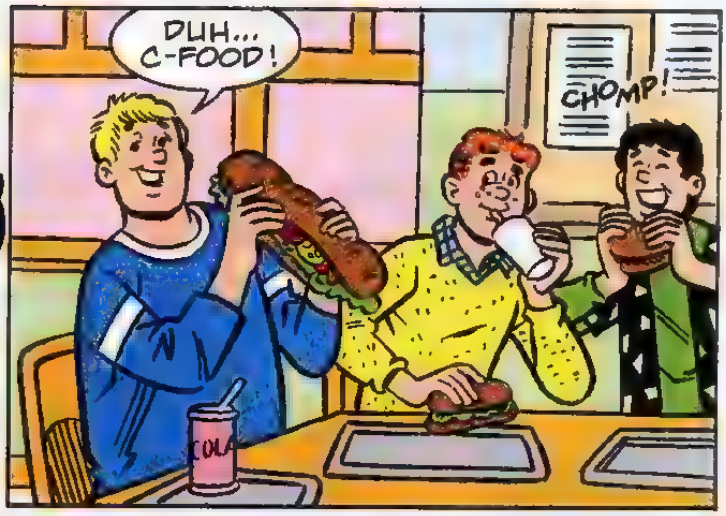

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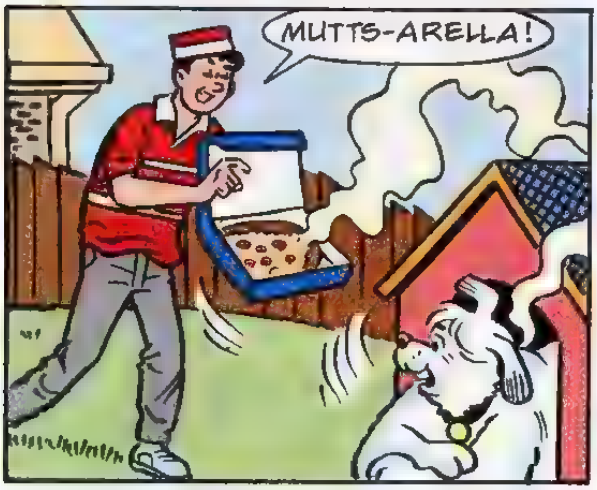

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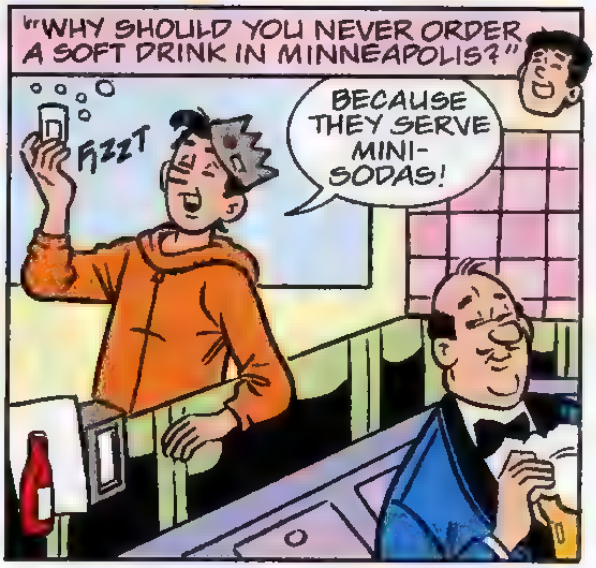

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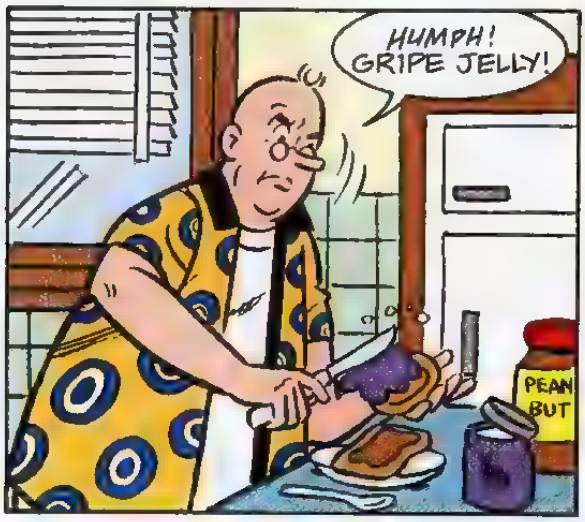

UNCLE GATOR'S LOUISIANA LAVA SAUCE! I'M A NEW TRUE BELIEVER! SWEAR BY THE STUFF!
MUST BE GOOD! LET ME TRY!
Jughead HOT Stuff
WHY DOES EVERYBODY HAVE THE SAME REACTION?
GLUB!

RIVERDALE CLUE: NO, IT'S NOT IN THE GOLDEN STATE.

IT'S AN ACQUIRED TASTE I SUPPOSE!
YOUR TONGUE MUST BE MADE OF SPACE-AGE POLYMERS!
GLUK! WHEW!
EASE UP, YOU CLOWNS! PEOPLE WILL THINK I'M POISONING CUSTOMERS!
THIS PEPPER SAUCE GOES WITH EVERYTHING! BURGERS... DOGS... FRIES... PIZZA...
MMM!
THAT DOES IT!
GUK! GOK!
I DON'T CARE IF YOU KILL YOUR APPETITE, BUT SPARE OURS!
I SEE YOU'RE WITHOUT YOUR LAVA JUICE! HAD ENOUGH?
PERISH FORBID!
2

A TRUE UNCLE GATOR FAN NEVER LETS IT OUT OF REACH!
GOOD GRIEF!
?
YOU'VE GOTTA BE MADE OF IRON TO TRY THAT BATTERY ACID!
TOUGH STUFF, EH?
I CAN TAKE IT!
SLOIG!
CLANG! CLANG!
TEACH!
AYIEEEEE!!
ZOOM!
WHERE DO YOU SUPPOSE HE WENT?
I'LL GUESS THE SWIMMING POOL!
AW! HE SPILLED MY JUICE!
3

MY LIQUID LAVA'S ALL GONE!
ALONG WITH MOOSE'S TONSILS!
HERS
UNGE
LET'S CLEAN UP THIS SPILLAGE BEFORE WE GET SENT TO THE DUNGEON!
SVENSON, WHEN YOU FINISH THE TEACHER'S LOUNGE, PLEASE PREPARE THE CONFERENCE ROOM! I'VE AN IMPORTANT MEETING!
THE NEW SUPER-INTENDANT DOESN'T SEEM TO LIKE ME! I'VE GOT TO MAKE A GOOD IMPRESSION OR HEADS WILL ROLL!
MAYBE MINE!
OKEY DOKEY!
TEACHE LOUNGE
A BIT LATER...
GLAD WE GOT THAT MESS CLEANED UP!
NO WORRIES!
WHOOP!
EEAGH!
TEACH LOUN
TEA LO
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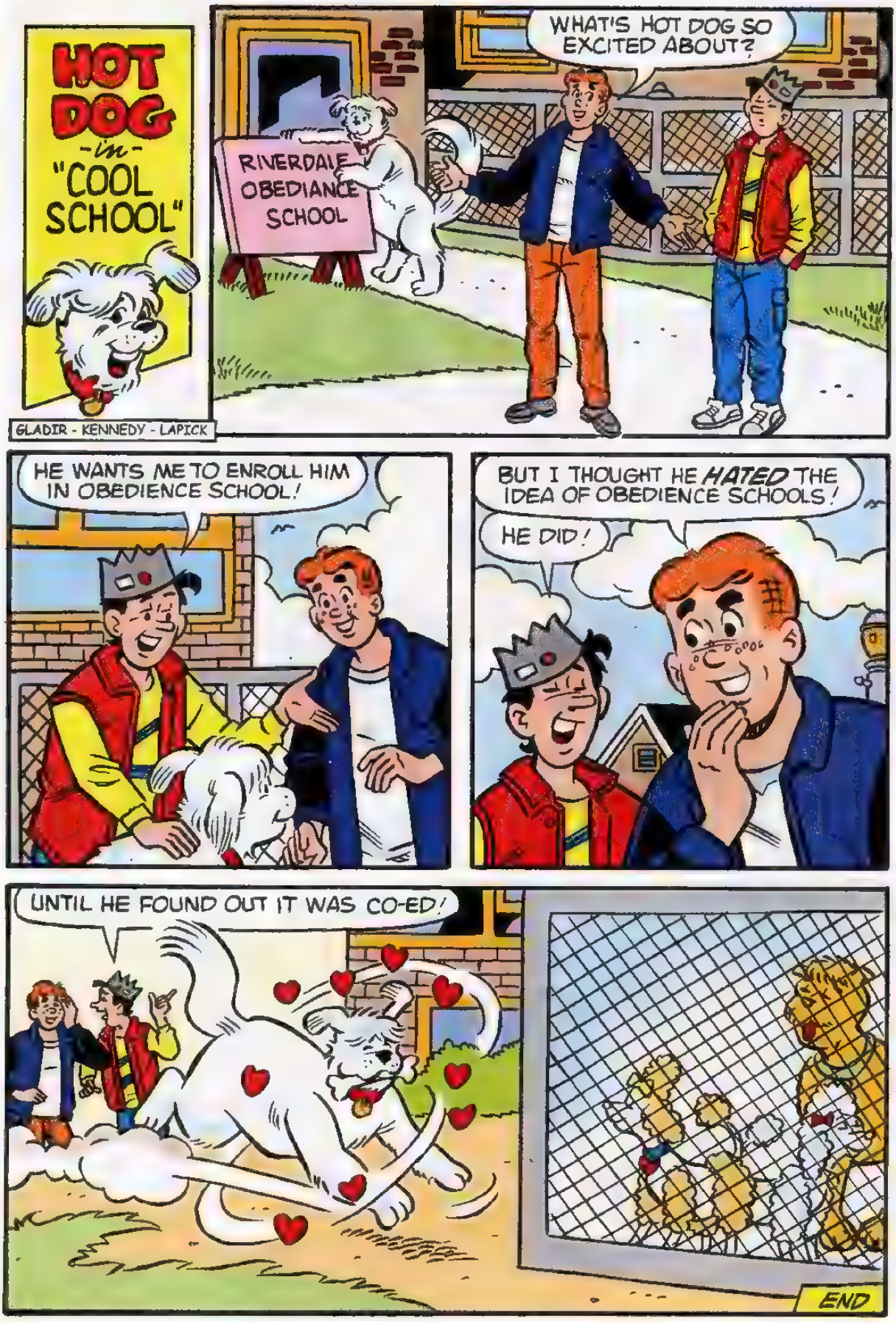
4

FLUTE SNOOT, STOP DANCING AND TELL ME WHAT'S THE MATTER!
WHAT IS IT?
H-HOT COFFEE!
E=MC²
OHMIGOSH! DID YOU BURN YOURSELVES?
NOT THAT KIND OF HOT! SPICY HOT!
JUGHEAD...
OH, NO!
COFFEE FILTERS
THAT BOX WE SPILLED THE LAVA SAUCE ON! COFFEE FILTERS!!
IT MUST'VE SOAKED THROUGH!
AND WHEN THEY PUT A NEW FILTER IN THE MAKER, THE COFFEE WAS TAINTED WITH...
UNCLE GATOR'S SAUCE!
5

WELL, AT LEAST WE NIPPED THAT CRISIS BEFORE IT WENT TOO FAR!
YUMPIN' YELLY-BEANS!
I SET UP A COFFEE MACHINE IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM! THE SUPERINTENDENT!
I WONDER IF THEY'VE TRIED THE COFFEE YET?
DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?
WATER! WATER!
GLUG! GLUG!
THAT'S THE PRINCIPAL! BUT...
GULP! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SUPER?
LOUISIANA LAVA SAUCE COFFEE! GREAT IDEA! HOW'D WEATHERBEE KNOW I'M AN OLD UNCLE GATOR FAN? AHHH!
I THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET ALONG JUST FINE!
THE END


HOT DOG -in- "COOL SCHOOL"
GLADIR - KENNEDY - LAPICK
RIVERDALE OBEDIANCE SCHOOL
WHAT'S HOT DOG SO EXCITED ABOUT?
HE WANTS ME TO ENROLL HIM IN OBEDIENCE SCHOOL!
BUT I THOUGHT HE HATED THE IDEA OF OBEDIENCE SCHOOLS!
HE DID!
UNTIL HE FOUND OUT IT WAS CO-ED!
END

AH, THAT DOES IT! I FOUND THE BAD BULB!
Jughead in
DE-LIGHTED I'M SURE!
ALL THE LIGHTS ARE BACK ON-LINE! SIGH: WHAT A BEAUTY OF A DISPLAY!
I MAY LEAVE THESE UP 'TIL SUMMER! CRIME TO SHUT 'EM DOWN!

RIVERDALE CLUE: IT'S NOT NEAR THE POLAR BEAR CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

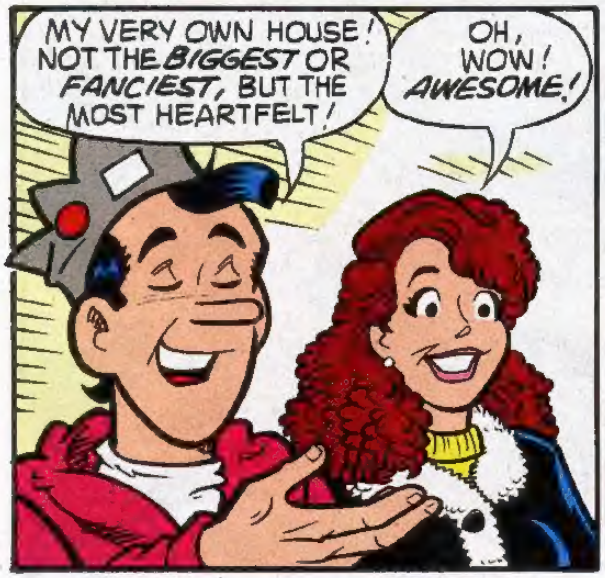
SOME PEOPLE GO GA-GA FOR FANCY LIGHT LAYOUTS!
I NEVER GOT THAT! YOU CAN'T EAT COLORED LIGHTS!
SPEAKING OF BAD BULBS, LOOK WHO'S DEAD AHEAD!
YOUR OWN PERSONAL NEMESIS, TRULA TWYST!
WHY DOES SHE ALWAYS THROW YOU INTO SUCH A TIZZY, JUG?
MAYBE 'CAUSE SHE TREATS ME LIKE A LAB RAT IN A MAZE!
THE AGGRESSIVE WAY YOU SHAKE THAT PEPPER REVEALS SUPPRESSED INSECURITIES!
GRRR!!
TRASH
ALWAYS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT MY BRAIN! SHE'S A WALKING PSYCHOLOGY TEXT BOOK!
WHO NEEDS IT?!
I TELL YOU, ARCH, THAT GIRL DRIVES ME UP A WALL! STRAIGHT UP A WALL!
I THINK YOU EXAGGERATE!
2

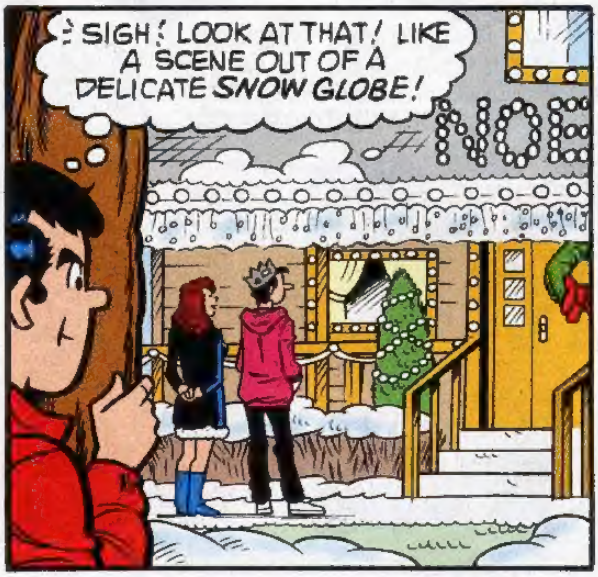
HEY, TRULA, WHAT'S UP?
SIGH! DON'T YOU LOVE IT?
RED, GREEN, BLUE PRETTY, PRETTY!
DOESN'T IT JUST MAKE YOUR TOES TINGLE?
WELL, THIS IS A NOVELTY! SHE SOUNDS ALMOST HUMAN!
SHE DOES SEEM A LITTLE UN-TRULA LIKE!
I'VE GOT IT! SHE'S ONE OF THOSE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS PEOPLE!
AHHH!
SNAP!
SHE'S LIKE MY DAD! GOES ALL DRIPPY FOR ANYTHING BRIGHT AND SHINY THAT'S HANGING ON A SHRUB!
OOOH!
3

YOU GO ON AHEAD, ARCH! THIS COULD BE INTERESTING! MY ONLY CHANCE TO SEE WHAT SHE'S LIKE DE-FANGED!
I LIKE THE TINY ONES THAT HANG WAY DOWN LIKE ICICLES, JUGGERS!
THEY ARE KINDA NICE!
I'LL BET THIS GUY PLANS ALL YEAR FOR THIS! PROBABLY DRAWS TOURISTS!
GASP! IT'S BEAUTIFUL!
HAPPY HOLIDAYS
SOME OF MY VERY FAVORITES ARE THE ONES IN DEPARTMENT STORE WINDOWS!
GASP! I DON'T BELIEVE WHAT I'M SEEING!
I GUESS MIRACLES DO HAPPEN!
4

IT'S WEIRD, I TELL YOU! I'M ACTUALLY ENJOYING BEING AROUND HER, AS LONG AS SHE'S UNDER THE SPELL OF THE LIGHTS!

I'LL SHOW YOU THE BEST LIGHT DISPLAY IN RIVERDALE!
OOH! LET'S GO!


MY VERY OWN HOUSE! NOT THE BIGGEST OR FANCIEST, BUT THE MOST HEARTFELT!
OH, WOW! AWESOME!


SIGH! LOOK AT THAT! LIKE A SCENE OUT OF A DELICATE SNOW GLOBE!

SO HAPPY! SO SERENE! THE LION AT PEACE WITH THE LAMB! IT'S AN INSPIRATION TO US ALL!

SOMETIMES I ALMOST HATE MYSELF!
CHUK!
5

JUST LOOK AT HOW THE... HEY! WHO PUT OUT THE LIGHTS?
FIZZLE!*
A BULB MUST HAVE BURNT OUT! HOLD ON, I HAVE REPLACEMENTS!
KITCHEN-ADE
IT'S NOT THAT ONE! IT'S NOT THAT ONE!
JUGGERS, YOU'RE DISPLAYING AN ALARMING LEVEL OF RISING ANXIETY!
MICROWAVE
WOW, I OWE JUG AN APOLOGY! I THOUGHT HE WAS EXAGGERATING!
ABOUT WHAT?
TRULA REALLY DOES HAVE HIM CLIMBING THE WALLS!
NOT THAT ONE
NOT THAT ONE!
NOT THAT ONE!
INTERESTING! HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN TROUBLED BY THESE COMPULSIVE TENDENCIES?
THE END